



# The Catholic Church of ST. MARY THE VIRGIN

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**W**elcome to The Catholic Church of St. Mary the Virgin. We are a parish of the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter authorized by Pope Benedict XVI in 2012 for Anglicans seeking to become Catholic. Ordinariate parishes are fully Catholic, while retaining elements of their Anglican heritage and embracing the roots of the Catholic faith's rich tradition through reverent liturgy and historical music. All Catholics are invited to participate in our Divine Worship liturgy and receive communion by kneeling (if able) at the altar rail and receiving our Lord on the tongue.

## **Sacrament of Marriage**

**P**lease contact the parish for details regarding the preparation program. Under Ordinariate policy, couples should contact a member of the parish clergy at least six months prior to their proposed wedding date.

## **Liturgical Ministers**

**July 23, 2023**

<b>8:00 am</b>	Altar Server	Jon Carr
	Ushers	Lonnie Jones/Walter Crawford
<b>10:30 am</b>	Master of Ceremonies	John Williams
	Thurifer	Alex Muller
	Crucifer	Thomas Muller
	Torchbearers	Michael Muller/Charlie Muller
	Boat Boy	Benjamin Hull
	Ushers	Kevin Vina/Randy Irlbeck
<b>1:00 pm</b>	Altar Server	Brandon Gunnip
	Ushers	Kyle Meesey/Brigitte Brignac

## **Divine Worship Order of Holy Mass**

**Seventh Sunday After Trinity**

**July 23, 2023**

## **Music of the Mass**

**Mass Setting: Missa Parochialis**

**Asperges Me**

**Please see separate hymn sheet**

Prelude.....*Pastorella, 1st Movement. BWV 590*  
by J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Entrance Hymn.....*Praise to the Living God*  
*English Creed*

Offertory Hymn.....*Father, We thank Thee!*

Mystery of Faith.....*O Savior of the World*

The Lord's Prayer

Communion Hymn.....*O What their Joy and their Glory*

Anthem.....*For the Beauty of the Earth*

Closing Hymn.....*For The Fruit of All Creation*

Postlude.....*En Forme De Canon* by Theodore Salmon  
(1834-1896)

**Adult choir meets on Sundays at 9:15 a.m.**  
**and sings at the 10:30 Mass**

**Youth choir will attend the Choir Camp Mon– Fri and**  
**Stage a performance of "Reluctant Dragon" on Friday**  
**July 28 at 7:00 p.m. Admission is free,**  
**but donations are welcome**

## **Collect**

**L**ord of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of thy Name; increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of thy great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

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# Scripture of the Mass

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## First Reading

*Wisdom 12: 13, 16-19*

There is no god besides you, whose care is for all men, to whom you should prove that you have not judged unjustly; for your strength is the source of righteousness, and your sovereignty over all causes you to spare all. For you show your strength when men doubt the completeness of your power, and rebuke any insolence among those who know it. You who are sovereign in strength judge with mildness, and with great forbearance you govern us; for you have power to act whenever you choose.

Through such works you have taught your people that the righteous man must be kind, and you have filled your sons with good hope, because you give repentance for sins.

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## Gradual

Come, ye children, and hearken unto me:

I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

V. Come unto me and be enlightened:  
and your faces shall not be ashamed.

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## Second Reading

*Romans 8:26-27*

Brethren: The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with sighs too deep for words. And he who searches the heart of men knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

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## Alleluia

V/. O clap your hands together, all ye people:  
O sing unto God with the voice of melody.  
Alleluia.

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## The Holy Gospel

*Matthew 13: 24-43*

At that time : Jesus put another parable before the crowds, saying, “ The kingdom of Heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field; but while men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away. So when the plant came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also.

“And the servants of the householder came and said to him, ‘Sir, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then has it weeds?’

“He said to them, ‘An enemy has done this.’ “The servants said to him, “Then do you want us to go and gather them?”

“But he said, ‘No: lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them. Let both grow together until harvest; and at harvest time, I will tell the reapers, Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’”

Another parable he put before them, saying, “The kingdom of heaven is like a grain of mustard seed which a man took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.”

He told them another parable. “The kingdom of heaven is like leaven which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal, till it was all leavened.”

All these Jesus said to the crowds in parables; Indeed he said nothing to them without a parable. “I will open my mouth in parables, I will utter what has been hidden since the foundation of the world.”

Then he left the crowd and went into the house. And his disciples came to him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field..” He answered, “He who sowed the seed is the Son of man; the field is the world, and the good seed means the sons of the kingdom; the weeds are the sons of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the close of the age, and the reapers are the angels.

Just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the close of the age. The Son of man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evil doers, and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear.”

## The Parish Offering

Weekly Offering Forecast.....\$7,000.00

Sunday Offertory.....\$7,050.68

Variance.....\$50.68

Attendance:..... 442

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## The Prayers of the People

### For Those in Special Need

Fr. Stainbrook, our pastor; Fr Kennedy; Fr Allan; Mike; Kathy; Carol; Bob; Ronald; Marilyn; Christopher; Polly; Van; Kathi; Echo; Elva; Joanne; Mary; Hayley; Denise; Michael; Jose Luis; Tom; Bill; Carmen; Alton; Farley; Gary; Marianne.

### For Those Serving in the Armed Forces

Kris; William; Brett; Brandon.

### For First Responders

Marcus.

### For Those Expecting Children

Kelly & Mike; Julie & John; Hailey & Sam; Mercedes & Mathew; Shannon & Brian; Kristin & Jonny; Becca & Paul; Maddie & Peter; Chelsea & Ryan; Stephanie & Jeremy.

### For the Faithful Departed On the Anniversary of Their Deaths

*Monday:* Sheridan Mobley; John Roettele, priest; Elaine Grove Rees; *Tuesday:* Phyllis Smith; *Wednesday:* Catherine Harron; Amy Johannsen; *Thursday:* Florence Alexandra Cosmos; Kenneth Holtz; Aileen O'Brien; Dorsey Winfield Mitchell; Jacob Leonard Pouttu; *Friday:* Frank Fischer; Ken Ladd; Winford Corzine.

### For Those Celebrating Birthdays

*Sunday:* Grace Zaloudek; Helen Mitchell; *Monday:* Adela Zambon; Eleanor Brennan; *Wednesday:* Celeste Alfeche; Joseph Morris; Paula Palmer; *Thursday:* Mario Skertchly; Owen Morris; *Friday:* Carol Denning; Lilliana Taylor; *Saturday:* Abigail Knapp.

## Choir Camp is Here!

It is not too late to participate in the SMV Choir Camp. The camp is this Mon. through Fri., 9 a.m.- 12 pm. Merely contact Mr. Nes at 817-713-1836 or [mnes64@gmail.com](mailto:mnes64@gmail.com). or come to the camp tomorrow and register on site. Cost is free. The camp this year is producing "The Reluctant Dragon" with music by John Rutter. The performance is free on July 28, 7:00 p.m. Donations accepted.

## OCIA (RCIA) Class

If you missed the 2nd RCIA class last Tuesday, it's not too late to join. Meet in the Parish Hall library at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday night.

## Parish Hall Upgrades Underway

If you have been in the Parish Hall you have probably noticed the work going on. We are refreshing all four of the Parish Hall restrooms with new paint, flooring, lights, mirrors, and fixtures. While this will cause some interruptions, there will always be at least three of the restrooms functional at all times. This takes some juggling, so please bear with us as we make upgrades to our facilities.

## This Week at St. Mary the Virgin

### Sunday, July 23

Low Mass at 8:00 a.m.  
High Mass at 10:30 a.m.  
Low Mass with hymns at 1:00 p.m.

### Monday, July 24

Mass at 12:00 p.m.  
(*Mass Intention: Christina Juarez RIP*)

### Tuesday, July 25

Mass at 12:00 p.m.  
(*Mass Intention: Benjamin Landry*)

### Wednesday, July 26

Confessions at 11:00 a.m.  
Mass at 12:00 p.m.  
(*Mass Intention: Breanna Rubalcaba*)

### Thursday, July 27

Mass at 12:00 p.m.  
(*Mass Intention: Gilbert and Jillian*)

### Friday, July 28

Mass at 12 p.m.  
Adoration 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
(*Mass Intention: Jose R Rodriguez RIP*)

### Saturday, July 29

Mass at 9:00 a.m.  
Confessions at 10:00 a.m.  
(*Mass Intention: For The Donors to the Catholic Gentlemen & their intentions*)

## A Sale on Flowers

From now until the end of 2023, you can offer flowers for the altar for \$30, rather than the usual \$50. That's a 40% savings! Sign up on the monthly sheet hanging on the bulletin board in the Narthex and make a notation of the intention you want mentioned. It's a wonderful way to commemorate birthdays and anniversaries, or to remember special people. Reserve your spot today!

## Parish Registration

Have you been attending St. Mary the Virgin and consider yourself a member of our parish? If so, have you filled out a parish registration form? The forms are located in the Narthex on the table and once filled out and entered into our database, you are an official member of the parish. This is important when it comes to receiving sacraments, receiving letters of good standing when asked to be a sponsor or godparent in another parish and for using the parish hall for your personal events.

## Dear Friends in Christ:

Yesterday we celebrated the Festival of St. Mary Magdalene. She is one of the greatest saints of the Bible, and a legendary example of God's mercy and grace. St. Thomas Aquinas called her "The Apostle of the Apostles." The precise dates of her birth and death are unknown, but we do know she was present with Christ during his public ministry, death and resurrection. She is mentioned at least a dozen times in the Gospels. Her name comes from her hometown of Magdala, a fishing village on the western shore of Lake Tiberias. St. Luke the Evangelist tells us, in Chapter 8 of his Gospel, how Jesus went from town to town announcing the Good News of the Kingdom of God, and how the Twelve Apostles were with Him, together with some women who had been healed of evil spirits or infirmities and were serving them. Among these was a certain "Mary, called the Magdalene, from whom seven demons came out."

Mary Magdalene has long been regarded as a prostitute or sexually immoral in Western Christianity, but this is not actually supported in the Scriptures. The Gospels agree that Mary was originally a great sinner since Jesus cast seven demons out of her when He met her. After this, she told several women she associated with, and these women also became followers. During Jesus' ministry, it is believed that Mary Magdalene followed him, part of a semi-permanent entourage who served Jesus and the Apostles. There is also some debate over if Mary Magdalene is the same unnamed woman, a sinner, who weeps and washes Jesus' feet with her hair in the Gospel of John. Some scholars are skeptical that this is the same person.

Despite the scholarly dispute over her background, what she did in her subsequent life, after meeting Jesus, is much more significant. Mary Magdalene appears in the Gospels in the most dramatic moment of Jesus' life, when she accompanies Him to Calvary and, along with other women,

observes Him from afar. She is still there when Joseph of Arimathea places the body of Jesus in the sepulcher, which is closed with a stone. And on the morning of the first day of the week, it is she who returns to the tomb, finds the stone rolled away, and runs to warn Peter and John. They in turn hurry to the empty tomb and discover that the body of the Lord is missing.

Mary Magdalene is the first among the women following Jesus to proclaim Him as having overcome death. She is the first to announce the joyful message of Easter. But she also proved she was among those who loved Him most when she stood at the foot of the Cross on Mount Calvary together with Mary, His Mother, and the "Beloved Disciple", St. John. She did not deny him, or run away in fear, as the other disciples did, but remained close to Him every moment, up to and including, the tomb.

After the death of Christ, a legend states that she remained among the early Christians. After fourteen years, she was allegedly put into a boat by some Jews, along with several other saints of the early Church, and set adrift without sails or oars. The boat landed in southern France, where she spent the remaining years of her life living in solitude, in a cave.

St. Mary Magdalene's feast day is July 22. Pope Francis elevated the memory of Mary Magdalene to the status of Festivity on July 22nd, 2016, in order to stress the importance of this faithful disciple of Christ. She is the patroness of converts, repentant sinners, sexual temptation, pharmacists, tanners and women, and many other places and causes.

May she, the Apostle to the Apostles, intercede for us when we need a Heavenly Patroness.

Faithfully, Your Friend and Vicar,  
Christopher C. Stainbrook

## Prayer for Vocations

**Priest:** Please kneel for our prayer for vocations. / Let us ask God to give worthy priests, brothers and sisters to His Holy Church.

**All:** O God, / we earnestly beseech Thee / to bless this Ordinariate / with many priests, / brothers / and sisters, / who will love Thee with their whole strength / and gladly spend their entire lives / to serve Thy Church / and to make Thee known and loved.

**Priest:** Bless our families. / Bless our children.

**All:** Choose from our homes / those who are needed for Thy work.

**Priest:** Mary Queen of the Clergy!

**All:** Pray for us. / Pray for our priests and religious. / Obtain for us many more. Amen.

## Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam

*(For the Greater Glory)*

**Flowers:** SMV for her parishioners

**Sanctuary Light:** Helen Mitchell in loving memory of Dorsey Mitchell

**Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady:** Paul Denning for Carol's birthday

**Lamp at the Shrine of St. Joseph:** Oliver Family for Seth Milles' birthday.

**Lamp at St. Therese:** John Quin in loving memory of Ann Quin.

**Lamp at Blessed Karl:** Brignac Family for Elva Johnson's healing

**Lamp at St. Thomas More:** John Quin for the Quin Family Spiritual welfare.

**Lamp at St. John Fisher:** The Brignac family for Mary Pollice's healing.

**Lamp at the Altar of Relics:** Terry Southard for Kathi's healing.